

ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
SELECTMEN, OVERSEER OF THE POOR,  
AND  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF  
THE TOWN OF GILFORD,  
FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1870.

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LAKE VILLAGE:  
STANTON & HAYNES, BOOK, CARD AND JOB PRINTERS.  
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## ERRATA.

On page 3 for \$23,992.73 read \$24,592.73  
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\$68,749.46 read 68,149.46

# SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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The Selectmen charge themselves as follows :

In Treasury March 1, 1869,.....	\$3483 55	
Collectors' list, 1869.....	21974 57	
Received for circus license, .....	15 00	
Savings Bank Tax from State, .....	837 13	
Railroad Tax from State, .....	667 79	
Literary Money from State, .....	93 00	
Literary Money from Town, .....	33 60	
United States bounty assignments, .....	306 00	
Received on notes, .....	23992 73	
on abatement of taxes 1868, .....	4 89	
of S. S. Ayer collector for 1865, ...	13 26	
of H. H. Sleeper collector for 1867, .	200 00	
of G. W. Munsey school house tax, .	160 00	
	<hr/>	\$51,781 46

The Selectmen credit themselves as follows :

State Tax,.....	\$4972 00	
County Tax, .....	2113 28	
	<hr/>	\$6,685 28

## School Orders.

School District No. 1 .....	\$85 00
No. 2 .....	48 00
No. 3 .....	64 04
No. 4 .....	697 15
No. 5 .....	85 26
No. 6 .....	66 00
No. 7 .....	80 50
No. 8 .....	125 28

School District No. 9 .....	89 26	
No. 10 .....	104 34	
No. 11 .....	44 42	
No. 12 .....	75 30	
No. 13 .....	559 66	
No. 14 .....	56 64	
	<hr/>	\$2,180 85

### School House Tax.

School District No. 7, .....	75 00	
No. 9, .....	60 00	
No. 10, .....	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$160 00

### Highways and Bridges.

Geo. W. Sanders, bill Lumber.....	273 75	
Hazen Copp, " .....	296 13	
Samuel C. Clark, " .....	5 00	
B. J. Cole & Co. labor iron &c. ....	45 52	
Smith & Richardson, bill Lumber,....	119 96	
H. W. Weeks, culvert stone, .....	3 96	
J. H. Tilton & Co. spikes, .....	4 62	
Morrill Thing, plank, .....	1 62	
Munsey & Eaton, spikes &c. ....	5 12	
N. Folsom, labor Weirs Bridge, .....	2 00	
John J. Morrill, bill Lumber, .....	73 27	
Pitman & Tilton, nails, .....	3 21	
	<hr/>	\$834 16

### Breaking Roads,--1868--1869.

Enoch Littlefield, .....	4 67	
D. T. Leavitt, .....	3 32	
S. S. Ayer, .....	36 55	
George W. Buzzell, .....	2 25	
S. W. Prescott, .....	23 75	
Wm. T. Sargent, .....	27 37	
I. C. Morrill, .....	78 45	
Daniel Hoit, .....	38 55	
Thomas Weeks, .....	15 27	
Asa Swain, .....	2 62	
Geo. W Leavitt, .....	60 13	
John W George, .....	20 75	

J.P.Smith Jr.,.....	4 25
Jesse Merrill,.....	4 00
Daniel Blaisdell, .....	39 90
George Sleeper,.....	30 25
Dudley Gilman, Jr. ....	10 62
James Rowe,.....	1 80
C. H. Lamprey, .....	17 00
Josiah Hunt, .....	25 52
Richard Frohock, .....	51 20
William Ladd, .....	22 00
A. B. Dockham,.....	11 55
J. L. Frohock, .....	27 76
M. S. Gitman, .....	22 59
Nathan Hatch, .....	50 70
R. H. Sanborn,.....	27 80
Daniel Frohock, Jr.,.....	33 05
L. Wilkinson, .....	43 55
Samuel G. Sanborn,.....	18 45
Henry Goss, .....	9 75
Levi C. Davis, .....	31 00
Joseph C. Morrill,.....	26 05
Daniel K. Rowe,.....	29 25
Jeremiah Smith,.....	4 16
Parker P. Nichols, .....	15 15
Johathan Morrill,.....	26 00
John P. Davis, .....	15 18
Enoch M. Sanborn,.....	60
Francis M. Gilman, .....	28 80
Warren Brown,.....	9 00
H. T. Weeks, .....	33 49
Hiram Gilman,.....	5 63
James R. Morrill,.....	37 70
Rufus G. Morrill,.....	32 12
John D. Morrill,.....	8 10
William H. Weeks, .....	13 35
A. Dockham,.....	3 30
Mary J. Watson, .....	1 58
John H. Weeks, .....	9 00
John Edwards, .....	45 25
H. H. Sleeper, .....	20 00
Gilman Follett,.....	2 43
P. O. Blaisdell,.....	17 04

Obed Gray, .....	1 01
S. H. Blaisdell, .....	5 32

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 \$1185 93

## Bills Paid for Labor on Damage by Freshet.

E. M. Brown, Leavitt bridge & Davis r'd,	80 00
Horace L. Carr, .....	8 00
A. F. Hunter, .....	16 00
Daniel Grant, .....	6 00
Nathan Hatch, .....	1 75
T. L. Batchelder, .....	12 00
Isaac Morrill, .....	7 50
Jonathan Morrill, .....	22 05
T. L. Goss, .....	53 87
Jacob L. Frohock, .....	44 37
Josiah F. Robie, .....	28 50
Andrew Pickering, .....	26 13
Daniel B. Colby, .....	46 45
Levi D. Sawyer, .....	77 80
C. W. B. Davis, .....	22 50
Moses G. Blaisdell, .....	14 00
Benjamin A. Leavitt, .....	18 00
B. F. Hatch, .....	4 00
Charles H. Bean, .....	20 50
John J. Bennett, .....	58 62
W. H. Weeks, .....	60 50
Joseph Q. Bean, .....	8 00
John Colby, .....	32 17
G. W. Thompson, .....	35 62
Caleb M. Hatch, .....	12 50
Daniel Frohock Jr., .....	42 00
George W. Morrill, .....	86 50
Daniel P. Grant, .....	37 50
Hoyt & Weeks, .....	291 48
S. S. Ayer, labor and cash paid, .....	157 82
Noah W. Gilman, .....	2 00
I. C. Morrill, .....	51 00
Eli Bunker, .....	28 50
John P. Davis, .....	30 50
Henry Davis, .....	17 50
John P. Davis, .....	29 25

Isaac B. Glidden, .....	30 37
Levi Gove, .....	185 25
S. F. Flanders, .....	89 50
Hazen Copp, .....	145 00
A. C. James, .....	28 41
J. M. Weeks, .....	17 98
John Edwards, .....	205 25
George R. Goss, .....	48 25
B. F. Weeks, .....	61 85
John C. Locke, .....	16 00
Thomas Weeks, .....	25 99
Town Farm, board and labor, .....	19 33
Richard H. Carr, board and labor, .....	18 00
John L. Flanders, .....	68 00
S. E. Bennett, in part on job, .....	100 00
Lyman Sanborn, .....	232 01
George W. Sanders, .....	95 00

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### Town Officers' Bills.

Auditors' bill, 1868, .....	\$9 00
James R. Morrill's services Selectman, ...	20 00
Simon Rowe, town clerk, .....	40 00
Simon Rowe, treas. lit. and ministerial fund,	1 00
George M. Park, school committee, .....	84 50
Nathaniel Edwards, collector, .....	70 00
George W. Munsey, collector, .....	70 00
Henry E. Brawn, collector, .....	65 00
Daniel A. Tilton, selectman, .....	99 00
Stephen S. Ayer, selectman, .....	113 50
Thomas E. Hunt, selectman, .....	85 25
Daniel A. Tilton, treasurer, .....	40 00

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\$697 25

### Miscellaneous Expenses.

Treasurer literary fund, .....	33 60
Treasurer ministerial fund, .....	48 00
Fire Engine Co., Lake Village, .....	150 00
Fire Engine Co., Laconia, .....	150 00
Dexter & Hunt, .....	87
Henry Bean jr., damage to harness, .....	4 00
Morrill & Silsby, stationery, .....	6 95

F. A. Weeks, stationery,.....	1 38
N. Johnson jr., stationery,.....	3 60
Stanton & Haynes, printing,.....	54 75
Daniel Gilman, damage to sleigh, 1867,..	5 00
Gerrge F. Mallard, overtaxed on horse,..	7 68
Daniel G. Thing, overtaxed on int. money,	5 76
C. W. B. Davis, water trough 1866-7-8-9,	4 00
Benjamin Leavitt, water trough, 1869,..	1 50
John B. Elkins, land damage,.....	50 60
W. L. C. Morrison, horse hire,.....	1 50
Wm. Adams, board of selectmen, &c.,....	14 00
Josiah Davis, police, 1868, .....	16 00
Cole & Prescott, horse hire,.....	29 25
Whiting & Whitney, horse hire,.....	2 50
Hosea Blaisdell, cleaning town house,....	2 00
Thomas Ham, surveying,.....	7 00
Samuel C. Clark, for services, &c.,.....	12 00
Samuel C. Clark, use of office 1867,.....	3 00
Daniel A. Tilton, horse hire &c.,.....	23 25
S. S. Ayer, horse hire and cash paid out,..	67 50
Thomas E. Hunt, horse hire &c.,.....	4 50
Thomas E. Ladd, damage to wagon,.....	5 25
A. L. Morrison, board bill,.....	6 50
John Edwards services as police, 1869,....	14 00
N. Edwards overtax on J. W. Baldwin '68	1 93
N. Edwards overtax on C. V. Hines, 1868	2 88
John Sanborn services as police, &c.,.....	14 00
Francis L. Gilman services as police,.....	2 00
A. L. Morrison, horse hire,.....	23 00
Samuel J. Twombly, police,.....	18 25
Edwin Whiting, police,.....	3 00
John S. Lee, police,.....	6 00
Noah W. Gilman, watering trough,.....	1 50
Geo. W. Munsey, board of selectmen .....	78 34
Geo. W. Munsey, wood for town house,..	3 92
Taylor & Shaw, horse hire,.....	19 00

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\$909 16



## Highway Tax Expended

In the several Highway Districts in repairing Highways in  
Summer of 1869.

District No. 1, .....	\$226 12
2, .....	250 00
3, .....	339 92
4, .....	21 95
5, .....	39 82
6, .....	45 54
7, .....	52 17
8, .....	39 55
9, .....	108 83
10, .....	28 30
11, .....	22 17
12, .....	48 69
13, .....	58 35
14, .....	28 91
15, .....	63 84
16, .....	41 45
17, .....	46 75
18, .....	59 00
19, .....	39 00
20, .....	220 15
21, .....	81 01
22, .....	86 28
23, .....	145 71
24, .....	57 03
25, .....	187 50
26, .....	60 55
27, .....	6 43
28, .....	108 70
29, .....	101 19
30, .....	46 08
31, .....	20 96
32, .....	453 23
33, .....	426 26
34, .....	38 50
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	\$3592 92

# Recapitulation.

## DR.

Cash in treasury, March 1, 1869,.....	3483 55	
Collector's list for 1869,.....	21974 57	
Received on notes,.....	23992 73	
From all other sources,.....	2330 61	
	<hr/>	\$51781 46

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Paid State and County taxes.....	6685 28	
School orders,.....	2180 85	
School house taxes,.....	160 00	
Highways and bridges,.....	834 16	
Breaking roads 1868-9.....	1185 93	
Town officers bills.....	697 25	
Miscellaneous bills,.....	909 16	
Highway tax expended.....	3592 92	
Abatements 1869,.....	316 38	
Overseer of the poor,.....	727 55	
On notes,.....	27186 48	
Damage done by freshet, .....	2876 08	
Damage to sheep by dogs,.....	165 50	
In collector's hands,.....	1465 99	
In treasury March 1st, 1870,....	2797 93	
	<hr/>	\$51781 46

## Liabilities.

Amount due on notes,.....	\$74,972 03
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## Assets.

Cash in treasury,.....	\$2797 93
H. E. Brawn, Collector 1869,.....	869 15
G. W. Munsey, " 1869,.....	596 84
H. H. Sleeper, " 1868,.....	562 40
Tho's E. Hunt, " 1868,.....	414 09
Tho's Weeks, " 1867,.....	43 44
H. H. Sleeper, " 1867,.....	746 91
Tho's Weeks, " 1866,.....	23 00

S. S. Ayer, Collector, 1865,.....	86 47
E. Flanders, jr., " 1863,.....	22 59
H. Jewett, " 1861,.....	33 36
Thos. Weeks, " 1858,.....	2 57
Collectors for 1843-44-54,.....	23 82
	<hr/> \$6,222 67

Liabilities over assets ..... \$68,749 46

DANIEL A. TILTON, } *Selectmen*  
STEPHEN S. AYER, } *of*  
THOMAS E. HUNT, } *Gilford.*

The undersigned having examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JEREMIAH LAMPREY, } *Auditors.*  
JOHN J. MORRILL, }  
RICHARD H. SANBORN, }

## REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR.

The Overseer of Poor charges himself as follows :

To cash received of County, .....	\$281 29
Moultonborough, . . .	52 00
rent Sewell house, . .	20 00
Myron Gray, oxen..	50 00
W. Rider, beef,....	12 40
Articles sold from Farm,	155 24
	<hr/> \$570 93

### Support of Poor on Farm.

Paid John Smith, hay, 1867, .....	\$10 00
Daniel Leavitt, use bull & horse, '68,	9 50
George Sleeper, wheat,.....	5 00
J. E. Odlin, poison, .....	95
truss, .....	2 25
alcohol,.....	1 40
C. W. Leavitt, calf, .....	5 70
J. M. Lamprey, labor haying,.....	4 00

H. W. Brackett, labor haying, .....	13 50
J. H. Weeks, sheep, .....	33 00
W. H. Wadley, blacksmithing, .....	10 07
C. W. Pickering, on cattle, .....	21 65
T. J. Plumer, cow, .....	36 50
J. H. Tilton & Co., 1 fork, .....	1 25
W. L. Thompson, boots, .....	5 00
J. M. Blaisdell, smith work, .....	2 32
Sleeper & Smart, groceries, .....	128 97
Munsey & Eaton, groceries, .....	24 42
J. Gove, pigs, goods, &c., .....	56 01
Pitman & Tilton, goods, .....	7 10
J. K. Gove, services on farm, .....	240 00

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\$613 59

## Support of Poor off of Farm.

Paid J. G. Sanborn for E. Willey, .....	\$13 50
M. H. Johnson, for E. Willey, '68, ..	3 75
G. W. Munsey, for J. Ames, .....	3 25
Levi Gilman, aid to J. Ames, .....	19 57
Hen'y Bean, jr., b'd of H. Bean & wife,	20 00
J. Hines for Mary McDonald and boy,	4 00
Pitman & Tilton, " "	6 83
C. W. Leavitt, " "	2 00
Nancy Dame, " "	2 00
To cash for Mary McDonald and boy,	1 75
To cash for transient, .....	14 49
Sleeper & Smart for F. Ingalls, .....	3 00
Eli Moulton, for Martha A. Moulton, ..	10 50
Hattie F. Sanders, transient, .....	8 00
H. N. Colston, transient, .....	5 00
Mrs. L. Bean, for board of John Dockham and wife, .....	18 00
Dr. T. S. Foster for services, do. ....	16 00
Dr. A. J. Thompson " do. ....	16 00
Dr. A. J. Thompson for F. Maratte, ..	6 00
W. W. Thompson for Alb't Nason, ..	66 00
Jer. Lamprey for Mrs. J. Lamprey, ..	52 00
J. Gilbert, coffin & box for J. Smith,	8 00
H. Jackman digging grave, .....	3 00
Whitney & Whiting teams, .....	2 00

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## Miscellaneous Bills.

\$120 88

## Recapitulation.

\$380 95

\$225 72

**GEO. SLEEPER.**

*Overseer of Poor.*

The undersigned having examined the foregoing accounts of the  
overseer of the poor find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JEREMIAH LAMPRY,

JOHN J. MORRILL,

R. H. SANBORN,

*Auditors.*

## Inventory of Property on Town Farm.

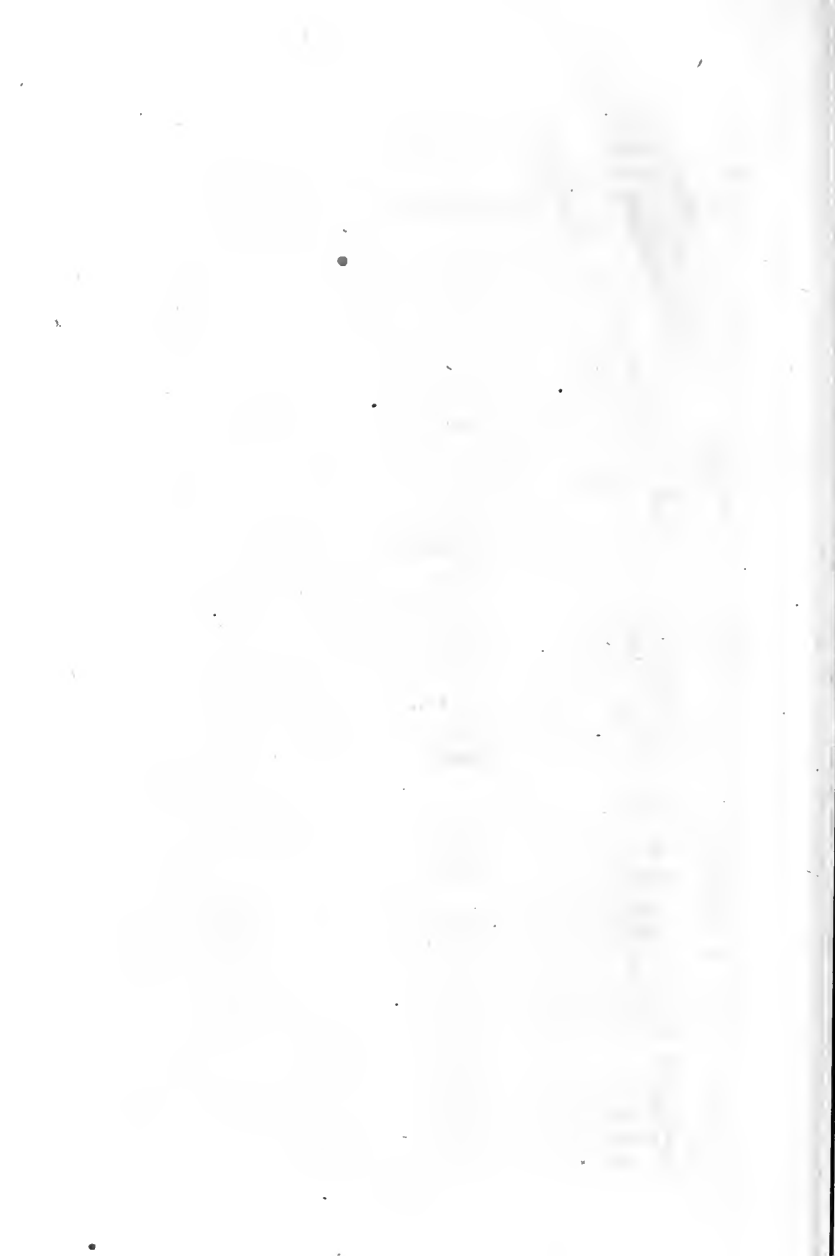
4 steers, 4 years old, .....	\$320 00
3 cows, .....	125 00
3 yearlings, .....	45 00
12 sheep, .....	50 00
1 shoat, .....	12 00
18 hens, .....	9 00
9 3-5 tons of hay, .....	130 00
35 bushels corn, .....	49 00
4 bushels beans, .....	14 00
10 bushels oats, .....	7 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel peas, .....	1 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel pop corn, .....	1 00
95 bushels potatoes, .....	57 00
5 bushels wheat, .....	10 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel salt, .....	45
3 bushels meal, .....	4 20
56 lbs lard, .....	14 00
18 lbs candles, .....	3 00
15 lbs dried apples, .....	2 10
34 lbs butter, .....	13 60
45 lbs cheese, .....	9 00
30 lbs beef, .....	3 00
250 lbs pork, .....	55 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ lb tea, .....	70
7 lbs sugar, .....	98
125 lbs ham, .....	25 00
8 lbs sausages, .....	2 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ lb tobacco, .....	25
$\frac{1}{2}$ bbl flour, .....	5 00
2 bbls soap, .....	8 00
2 gall molasses, .....	1 50
1 box salt, .....	40
5 yds cloth, .....	3 00
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. shingles, .....	10 00
1 wagon, .....	25 00
Farming tools, .....	100 00
Household furniture, .....	160 00

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Names and ages of persons at the Alms House:—Matthias Sewell, 78; Mark Small, 30.







# REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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*To the citizens and friends of Education of Guilford :*

Your Committee in submitting his report of the Schools for the past year, wishes to say a few things pertaining to their future prosperity.

Notwithstanding there is perhaps as much interest manifested in educational matters in this town as in many others in the county and state, yet we can but feel that even among those who should be most alive to the welfare of our schools, too much indifference is seen.

This indifference shows itself in the little attention given to schools ; the little effort made for improvements ; and in the lack of a proper public sentiment in favor of making our schools first class schools.

But as space will not allow me to enlarge upon this point, let me call your attention to a few needed improvements.

## SCHOOL HOUSES.

There are several districts that have not a respectable or comfortable school house ; but continue to disregard the convenience, the comfort, the *health* of their children, and send them to the old dilapidated, worn-out, torn-to-pieces, uncomfortably-seated house rather than spend a few dollars for a good one. We fear that it is the mighty love of the mightier dollar that forms the mightiest barrier to having suitable school houses in these districts. If people expect good schools they must provide suitable school rooms. We hope the day is not far distant when some of our districts may follow the example of districts No. 1, and 5.

## TEXT BOOKS.

The multiplication of text books is a great evil in our schools, and a serious hindrance to good classification. This subject demands especial attention. The School Committee has power to regulate this, but it has become a delicate matter in many towns

to change, introduce, or systematize the books. This has been brought about by too frequent and unnecessary changes, which have prejudiced the people against changes when really demanded. There are in town too many kinds of Grammars and Arithmetics for good classification. I found in one school twelve classes in Arithmetic, where there should have been but six. With such classification each scholar could have but little attention.

I would recommend a uniformity of text books to be used either throughout the town or certainly in each district. It would be well for each district to choose a special committee to consider this, or give instruction to the School Committee.

### CHOOSING PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES.

Our School Districts often make mistakes in choosing their Prudential Committees. If you want good schools, you must get a man for your Prudential Committee, who will make an effort to obtain a good teacher.

### EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS.

Too little effort is made oftentimes by our Committees to obtain the services of tried, experienced and qualified teachers. Too many teachers are employed, because they are friends of one of our neighbors, or, perhaps, one of our nephews or nieces, or our wife's cousin or relative; or perhaps the first teacher that makes application is hired. How can we expect good schools, unless we are careful in the selection of teachers? Do not hire, always, because you can hire cheap. Sometimes the cheapest teacher is the dearest one we could find.

### SCHOOL MONEY.

Our back schools need very much more schooling. The schools at Lake Village and Laconia have as much as they need with their present arrangements. But with another department, which both districts need, and must soon have, they will need more money. Your Committee would recommend the sum of \$2500, as a sufficient amount for the coming year. You may think your taxes are high; the town is in debt. True. But if you deprive your children of an education, your town will always be in debt. During the past year our schools have, as a whole, been a success. We have had but few unprofitable schools; although some have not been all we hoped.

DISTRICT NO. 1. Prudential Committee, Geo. W. Sanders. This school, as last year, had but one term, with a short vacation. Taught by Ada E. Mooney of Alton. Mr. S. believes, as we do, in the employment of the same teacher in the same school while successful. Miss M. more than sustained her last winter's reputation. She rules mostly by love. If we were to make a suggestion upon her government, it would be this—to season her love with a little of the rod.

DISTRICT NO. 2. Prudential Committee, George Sleeper. Fall term, taught by Miss E. D. Sanborn. Miss S. has taught this school five terms. Of its success, we need only refer you to the name of the teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 3. Prudential Committee, Jonathan Morrill. Two terms, taught by S. Jennie Morrill. Miss M. has taught this school three terms, with increased profit to the school each successive term. This district should by some means afford its children more advantages for an education; for in it there are those who will make good scholars, if provided with proper privileges.

DISTRICT NO. 4. Prudential Committee, S. S. Wiggin. Summer and Winter terms, Primary Department, taught by M. Anna Gilman. This is by no means an easy school to teach. In this department it takes patience, adaptation and perseverance to succeed. Miss G. has a peculiar way of getting along pleasantly and have her scholars love her. She has taught three successful terms here, and the district would do well to secure her for the fourth.

Higher Department, Summer term taught by Miss S. L. Merrill. Miss M. accomplished in this school a good work; highly creditable to herself. She attained it only by hard and persevering labor. The examination was attended by quite a number of the parents and friends who will join me in earnest words of commendation to both teacher and scholars for their excellent and thorough recitations and good deportment.

Winter term, higher department taught by Fred M. Wadleigh. Mr. W. says in his remarks upon this department that "There are too many scholars in attendance, and it is impossible to do any degree of justice to sixty or seventy scholars. This school, I regard as a difficult one to manage; and although I have met with no difficulty, yet I have found it necessary to keep a constant surveillance over each one, (but this in good part comes from

DISTRICT No. 12. Prudential Committee, Frank Collins. Summer term taught by Mary A. Smith. This was Miss Smith's first school. We were well pleased with the school, the advancement made, and the order. The teacher seemed self-possessed, and entered upon her work like one of more experience. Fall term, taught by Mary E. Rowe. We were well satisfied with this school at our first and closing visit. Proficiency good.

DISTRICT No. 13. Prudential Committee, S. C. Clark. Primary department taught by Mrs. C. Davis. This school made fair progress for one so large and with so many small scholars. Higher department, summer and winter terms taught by Ella J. Hill. Miss Hill has begun a good work for this school. In scholarship it is not the same school it has heretofore been. The teacher and scholars seemed united. The examination, witnessed by Prudential Committee, parents, and myself, was very interesting, thorough, and highly commendable. There are scholars in this department worthy of praise. Miss H. is a good teacher to employ. Hope she will be kept in town.

Primary department, winter term, taught by Miss Nellie Hall of Tamworth. This is a hard school to keep, both on account of the number and age of the scholars, and the indifference of the parents, as seen in the absence and tardiness of the scholars. However, Miss Hall has succeeded quite well. Order and improvement fair. Miss H's place as a teacher should be with older and more advanced pupils.

This district should have a new school house, such as a village of its size, wealth and population demands; one that would be a credit, and not a disgrace, to the place; one with accommodations for three departments. The school should then be well graded, and admission to the third department depending upon department and scholarship; this department taking the place of the present High School two or more terms of the year. When this school house is built, we hope it will not be quite so near a hill. If this district would improve its schools, the people should become more interested themselves, and see that your teachers are invited to take *tea* or spend the evening with more than two families during the term.

DISTRICT No. 14. Prudential Committee, Orrin Dame. One term, taught by M. C. Robinson of Meredith Centre. This is a small, but good school. Miss R. is a good teacher; her scholars gave evidence of not only knowing the *how*, but the *why* of things.

Improvement in reading was particularly noticeable. This was a profitable term, and the money well expended.

In closing our report, we would express our thanks to the Prudential Committees for their readiness to receive suggestions and for their assistance during the year; also to the parents for their universal kindness to me as a Committee.

GEO. M. PARK,

*School Committee.*

### S U M M E R.

District.	Name of Teacher.	Wages per month board included.	Weeks of Term.	Number of Boys.	Number of Girls.	Whole number.	Average attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	Not absent half day.	Visits Supt. Com.	Visits Prud. Com.	Visits of Citizens.	Money to each Dis- trict.
3	S. Jennie Morrill,	\$20 00	5	13	15	28	20	1	6	2	10		
4	{ M. Anna Gilman,	30 00	13	34	26	60	43	243	3	3	3	24	
	{ S. L. Merrill,	32 00	18	16	41	57	30	126	1	3	3	31	
6	Carrie Brawn,	22 00	5	9	5	14	13	14	5	2	2	10	
8	Clara E. Evans,	27 00	9	13	22	35	32	15	19	3	1	12	
10	Anna M. James,	18 00	6	15	10	25	20	64	1	2	2	15	
12	Mary A. Smith,		7	8	6	14	13	9	1	2			
13	{ Mrs. C. Davis,	32 00	11	36	22	58	43			4	2	15	
	{ Ella J. Hill,	32 00	11	23	23	46	34	25	1	4	3	18	

### W I N T E R.

1	A. E. Mooney.	22 00	15	18	7	25	17	44	3	3	23	\$85 00
2	E. D. Sanborn,	25 00	7½	5	3	8	7	2	5	2	5	48 00
3	S. Jennie Morrill,	20 00	1½	14	7	21				1		64 04
4	{ M. Anna Gilman,	32 00	14	33	30	63	50	163	10	2	2	28
	{ Fred. M. Wadleigh,	52 00	14	24	47	71	55	912		2	1	10
5	Ella J. Hill.	24 00	12	10	6	16	11	11		2		85 26
6	Carrie Brawn,	22 00	6	9	5	9	8	18	1	2	1	15
7	Myra L. Foss,	20 00	17	11	11	22	20	6	2	3	2	20
8	Clara M. Andrews,	25 00	11	13	20	33	28	30		4		7
9	M. Elvira Tnek,	23 00	13	19	5	24	19	6		2	18	89 26
10	Mary Ella Rowe,	25 00	11	22	13	35	30	73	9	2	1	32
11	Emma P. Dame,	22 00	8½	6	8	14	12	11	1	3		5
12	Mary Ella Rowe,	24 00	7	10	11	21	18	17	3	2	13	75 30
13	{ Nellie M. Hall,	32 00	16	43	21	64	51		6	3	6	8
	{ E. J. Hill,	36 00	16	41	28	69	36		5	2	5	30
14	Mary C. Robinson,	22 00	11	8	9	17	15	19	4	2		7

